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SUBJECT: ROY JENKINS ELECTED TO SHADOW CABINET

1. ROY JENKINS, WHO RESIGNED AS DEPU LEADER OF THE LABOR PARTY EARLY IN 1972 IN PROTEST AGAINST WILSON'S INCREASINGLY HOSTILE STAND TOWARDS EC MEMBERSHIP, HAS BEEN RETURNED TO THE SHADOW CABINET. IN THIS YEAR'S ANNUAL POLLING OF THE LABOR MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT, JENKINS RAN A STRONG FIFTH, WINNING 144 VOTES, JUST SIX SHORT OF THE HIGHEST TALLY WHICH WENT TO JIM CALLAGHAN. DETAILS OF THE VOTING WILL BE POUCHED TO DEPARTMENT.

2. AS A RESULT OF JENKINS' SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATURE, FRED PEART, SHADOW DEFENSE MINISTER, LOST HIS PLACE IN THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SHADOW CABINET. PEART IS A STAUNCH ANTI-MARKETEER,

BUT HIS REPLACEMENT BY JENKINS SHOULD NOT BE VIEWED AS AN INDICATION OF ANY INCREASE IN PRO-MARKET SENTIMENT WITHIN THE PLP--IT IS RATHER A CASE OF MEDIOCRITY GIVING WAY TO EXCELLENCE. TONY BENN AND PETER SHORE, THE TWO MOST ARDENT ANTI-MARKETEERS IN THE SHADOW CABINET, BOTH IMPROVED THEIR STANDINGS marginally.

3. IT NOW REMAINS FOR HAROLD WILSON TO RESHUFFLE THE SHADOW PORTFOLIOS.

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